



"Giving South Carolina's Students a Choice"

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South Carolina Tuition Grants Program

A Need-Based Grant Program for students attending one of 21 eligible SC private colleges (listed on flier).

Since creation in 1970, awarded over \$700 million to over 325,000 students.

Provides South Carolina residents the opportunity to choose the in-state college that best meets their academic needs.



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HOW TO APPLY

Complete the FAFSA.

The 2010-2011 FAFSA must be ***received*** by the federal processor by **JUNE 30, 2010**. Recommend doing "***FAFSA on the Web***"

Be sure to answer ALL residency questions.

Must do a new application every year.

Four year limit on grant.



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STUDENT ELIGIBILITY

Based on Financial Need as demonstrated by FAFSA data. (Includes family income, family assets excluding home equity, family size, number in college at same time, cost of college attended.)

Must be South Carolina* residents.

Must attend full-time during Fall term.

Must be working on first four-year degree.



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ACADEMIC REQUIREMENTS

First-time Freshmen must:

Rank in top 75% of graduating class **OR**

Score 900 on SAT (Math & Critical Reading) **OR**

Score 19 Composite on ACT **OR**

Graduate from a SC high school with a final GPA of 2.0 on
the Uniform Grading Policy.

Continuing students must pass 24 credit hours per year
AND meet the college's Federal Satisfactory Academic
Progress Standards.



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GRANT AMOUNTS FOR 2009-2010

Maximum Grants for 2010-2011 are expected to be
set at about **\$2,900** at all 21 eligible colleges.

The Commission will award over \$35 million in
2009-2010 to about 14,000 eligible students.



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AWARD LETTERS VIA E-MAIL

Students are notified earlier of their awards
if they list a valid e-mail address on the
FAFSA. 93.5% by e-mail in 2009-10!



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